

**In the Claims:****Claim 1 (currently amended):**

- 1 1. A padding device mounted in each of a seat and a backrest of a chair, comprising:
- 2 a support board; and
- 3 a pad assembly secured between the support board and a supporting framework or a
- 4 vertically stationary upright backrest support attached to the supporting framework, the pad
- 5 assembly including a pad formed consisting essentially of a foam rubber, an airtight first
- 6 cloth enclosed the pad and the support board, and a valve projected from the first cloth for
- 7 communicating air within the pad and external air,
- 8 wherein air within the pad is adapted to increase or decrease by adjusting the valve in
- 9 response to pressing either the seat or the backrest, and the foam rubber is selected such that
- 10 the pad becomes firmer when inflated and softer when deflated.

**Claim 2 (original):**

- 1 2. The padding device of claim 1, further comprising a second cloth enclosed the pad assembly
- 2 with the valve being projected therefrom.

**Claim 3 (original):**

- 1 3. The padding device of claim 2, further comprising a frame member secured between the pad
- 2 assembly within the second cloth and the supporting framework or the vertically stationary
- 3 upright backrest support.

Claim 4 (currently amended):

- 1 4. A padding device mounted in an integral seat and backrest assembly of a chair, comprising:  
2 a support board; and
- 3 a pad assembly secured between the support board and a supporting framework, the pad  
4 assembly including a pad formed consisting essentially of a foam rubber, an airtight first  
5 cloth enclosed the pad and the support board, and a valve projected from the first cloth for  
6 communicating air within the pad and external air,
- 7 wherein air within the pad is adapted to increase or decrease by adjusting the valve in  
8 response to pressing either the seat or the backrest, and the foam rubber is selected such that  
9 the pad becomes firmer when inflated and softer when deflated.

Claim 5 (original):

- 1 5. The padding device of claim 4, further comprising a second cloth enclosed the pad assembly  
2 with the valve being projected therefrom.

Claim 6 (original):

- 1 6. The padding device of claim 5, further comprising a frame member secured between the pad  
2 assembly within the second cloth and the supporting framework..